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| 3 | Extension of Jhanjharpur-Laukaha Bazar line upto Laukahi | 74-75 | Completed |
| 4 | Ranchi (Lohardaga) to Korba | 74-75 | " |
| 5 | Muzaffarpur to Sitamarhi | 81-82 | In progress |
| 6 | Updating of survey for Ranchi-Lohardaga conversion and extension upto Tori | 81-82 | " |
| 7 | Deogarh to Dumka via Basukinath | 81-82 | Completed |
| 8 | Ranchi to Hazaribagh Town to Giridih via Koderma | 81-82 | In progress |
| 9 | Lamatia to Kahalgaon | 81-82 | In progress |
| 10 | Madhupur to Dumka | 81-82 | Completed |
| 11 | Rail bridge over river Ganga at Patna | 81-82 | In progress |

**Passengers stranded at Delhi/New Delhi Railway station due to cancellation of trains to Punjab in June**

417. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of passengers were stranded at Delhi and New Delhi Railway stations as a result of cancellation of Punjab bound trains during June 84;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are aware that passengers were compelled to buy eatables at high prices as there was no check|supervisions and there was also no arrangement to help the passengers at the stations; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and what was the relief provided to such passengers?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, a large number of Punjab bound passengers were stranded due to cencellation of trains towards Punjab.

(c) and (d) No Sir. Round the clock adequate catering|vending services and drinking water arrangements were made, and food and eatables were available at the normal tariff rates. Free food, milk packets and fruits were also distributed by the Red Cross and other philanthrophist societies to the needy persons. Full refund for untravelled portion of the journey was granted to stranded passengers. The passengers desirous to go back to their starting stations were given free tickets for return journey. Announcements in this regard were made frequently on the public address system for the benefit of the stranded passengers.

**Shortage of wagons for lifting coal**

418. SHRI KALYAN ROY:
SHRI M. KADHARSHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item published in the Indian Express of 12th July, 1984 under the caption "Wagon Industry on blind track" to the effect that the familiar tussle between the coal industry and the Railway Minister has again come into the open, with the former alleging that in the last one year along about 3.5 million tonnes of coal had accumulated for want of wagons to lift them, and what are details thereof;